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In re Application of: Darrell L. Ward
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING
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ENVIRONMENT

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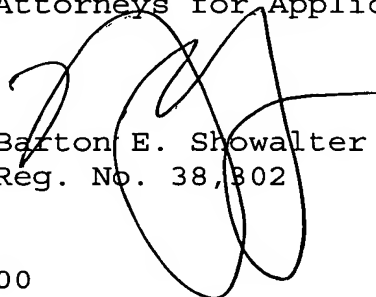
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Applicant respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of the reference is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that the reference qualifies as prior art or that it is material to the patentability of the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicant believes that this Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of first Office Action in this case.

Therefore, Applicant believes that no fee is due. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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